



Port of Iberia, Louisiana Study Area

- **Study Status:**

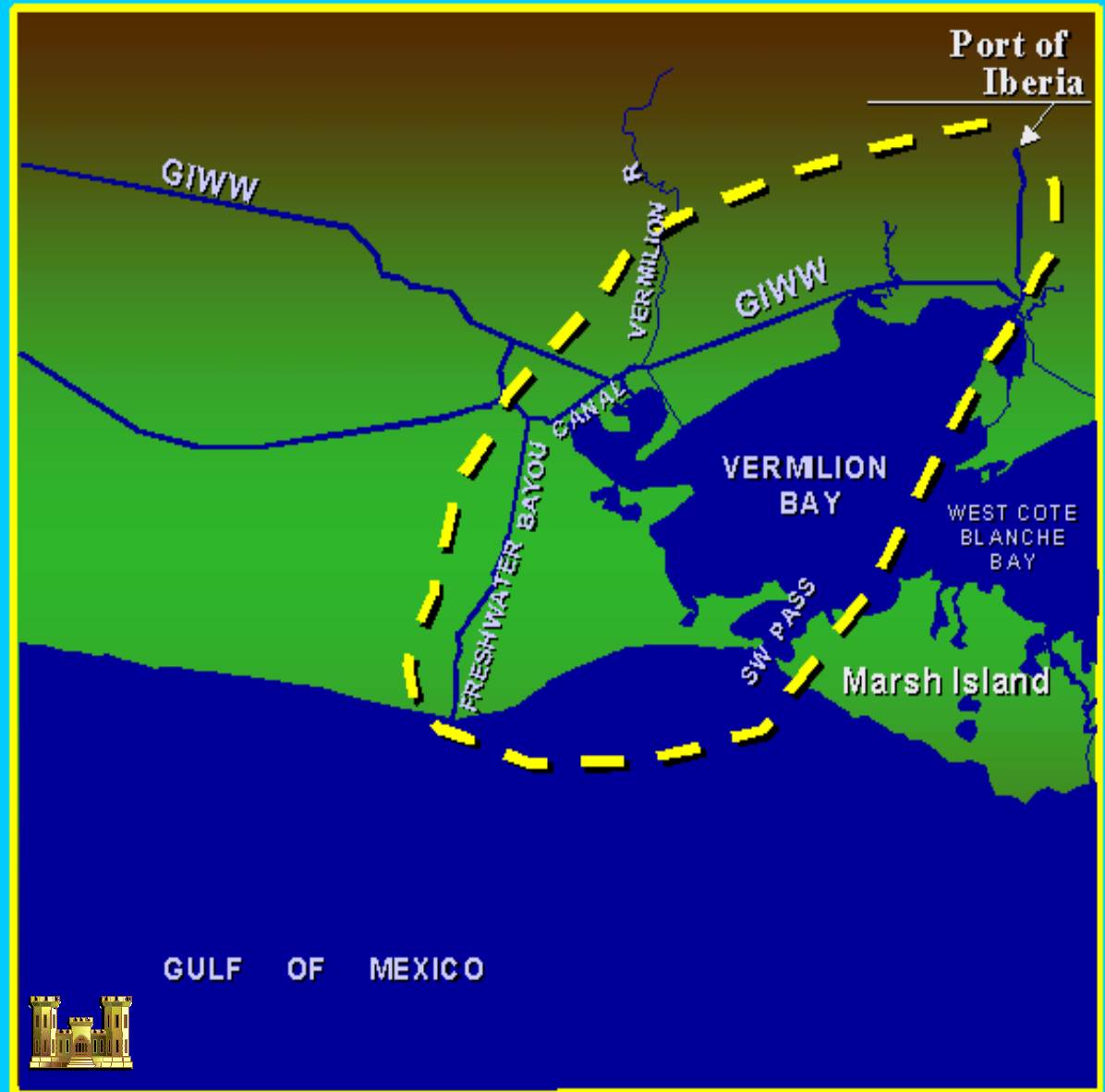
Reconnaissance Report
certified in August 02.
Feasibility phase initiated in
September 02.

- **Study Cost:**

Recon	\$ 140,000
Feas (Fed/NonFed)	<u>3,770,000</u>
Total	\$3,910,000

- **FY04 Funding Required:**

\$1,334,000





Project Fact Sheet

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PORT OF IBERIA, LA (General Investigations Feasibility Study)

STUDY AUTHORITY: This study was authorized by Section 431 of the Water Resources Development Act (WRDA) of 2000, Public Law 106-541.

STUDY SPONSORS: The Port of Iberia is the sponsor.

STUDY LOCATION: Port of Iberia is located in south central Louisiana near the Louisiana coast in Iberia Parish, south of the city of New Iberia.

STUDY PURPOSE: The purpose of the study is to investigate the feasibility of providing a deeper and wider access channel to the Port via the enlargement of the existing access channels.

STUDY PLAN: The plan includes dredging from the Port of Iberia along Commercial Canal to the GIWW, and then along the GIWW to Freshwater Bayou and then along Freshwater Bayou to the Gulf of Mexico to provide 20-foot deep by 150-foot wide navigation channel. Beneficial use of the dredged material is planned. In addition a Saltwater Barrier is planned along the western side of Freshwater Bayou.

STUDY COST: The study cost was \$140,000 for the reconnaissance phase. In the FY 2003 Energy and Water Development Appropriations Act, Congress provided \$250,000 for the feasibility study. FY 2003 funding was required \$1,100,000 to maintain the study schedule. The study received a total of \$524,000 in FY 03.

STUDY BUDGET/SCHEDULE: The reconnaissance report was certified in August 2002. The feasibility cost sharing agreement was signed on September 4, 2002.

STUDY COST:

Total Estimated Study Cost	\$ 3,910,000
Reconnaissance Phase (Federal)	\$ 140,000
Feasibility Phase (Federal)	\$ 1,885,000
Feasibility Phase (Non-Federal)	\$ 1,885,000

ISSUES: Funding of \$1,329,000 is requested in FY04 to complete the feasibility phase in time for a conditional WRDA 2004 authorization.